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Drive Unit With An Electric Machine

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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

SIR:

Responsive to the office action dated February 11, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## In the Claims:

Claims 1 and 4 are amended as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A drive unit comprising
- a housing of an internal combustion engine,
- a drive shaft mounted for rotation in said housing, said drive shaft being a crankshaft,